

RIO BLANCO COUNTY ARRA FUNDING AND PROJECTS

- ❖ **Based on the latest information available to the Governor's Office.** This report is not comprehensive because new Recovery Act awards are announced frequently. This does not include funds - including income tax cuts, increased COBRA benefits, increased funds to cover Medicaid services and others - that cannot be broken down by county. The numbers below represent funds that have been awarded and are expected to be received over the life of the Recovery Act. The funds are distributed to a wide range of groups in the county and do not necessarily touch county government.

COMMUNITY SERVICES / SAFETY NET:

- \$12,290** Community Services Block grant to Rio Blanco County for poverty reduction and revitalization of low-income communities. Rio Blanco Department of Social Services will partner with the Colorado Workforce Center to provide employment related activities to the residents of Rio Blanco County.
- \$44,405.77** Extra 13 percent in food stamp benefits to about 350 people in Rio Blanco County between April 1- October 31, 2009
- \$30,844** Grant for the Child Care & Development Fund in Rio Blanco County.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

- \$10,833** Justice Assistance grant to the Town of Meeker for law enforcement programs

TRANSPORTATION:

- \$10,439,448** Grant to reconstruct 5 miles of State Highway 13 between Rifle and Meeker, add shoulders and climbing and passing lanes.

WORKFORCE SERVICES AND UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS:

- \$172,535** Workforce Investment Act Funds to the Northwest Region, which includes Grand, Jackson, Moffat, Rio Blanco and Routt counties for job training.
- \$186,270** Wagner Peyser (WP) & Reemployment Services (RES) to the Northwest Region, which includes Grand, Jackson, Moffat, Rio Blanco and Routt counties.
- \$726,191** Extra 20 weeks of benefits, through the Emergency Unemployment Compensation program, for 106 people (as of June 30, 2010) in Rio Blanco County.
- \$158,600** Extra \$25 per week in unemployment benefits through the Federal Additional Compensation program, for 278 people (as of June 30, 2010)
- \$37,366** Additional 13 weeks of unemployment benefits through a new state law given to 3 people as of June 30, 2010.

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT:

- \$173,753** Estimated funds to be spent for free energy efficiency upgrades in low-income homes in Rio Blanco County.
- \$120,000** Energy Efficiency Conservation Block grant to Yampa Valley Partners for energy efficiency upgrades in buildings in Moffat, Rio Blanco and Routt counties.
- \$50** Rebate for 1 person in Rio Blanco County for the purchase of energy-efficient appliances, including dishwashers, refrigerators, furnaces and boilers.

EDUCATION:

- \$57,468** Title I funds for Rio Blanco County schools with high percentages of low-income students.
- \$188,053** IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) Part B funds for services to disabled students in Rio Blanco County.
- \$6,685** IDEA Part B funds for disabled preschool students in Rio Blanco County.

SMALL BUSINESS SERVICES

- \$909,000** Lower-fee loan to Blue Spruce Inn LLC through the U.S. Small Business Administration